

# Ohio County Profiles

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2025 Edition



## Ashland County

**Established:** Act - February 24, 1846  
**2024 Population:** 52,420  
**Land Area:** 424.4 square miles  
**County Seat:** Ashland City  
**Named for:** U.S. Statesman Henry Clay's Kentucky Estate



### Taxes

Taxable value of real property	\$1,527,079,520
Residential	\$1,105,186,420
Agriculture	\$228,490,300
Industrial	\$44,382,250
Commercial	\$148,770,160
Mineral	\$250,390
Ohio income tax liability	\$28,538,569
Average per return	\$1,154.15

### Land Use/Land Cover

	Percent
Developed, Lower Intensity	10.56%
Developed, Higher Intensity	1.32%
Barren (strip mines, gravel pits, etc.)	0.02%
Forest	27.46%
Shrub/Scrub and Grasslands	0.18%
Pasture/Hay	22.09%
Cultivated Crops	35.84%
Wetlands	1.79%
Open Water	0.74%

### Largest Places

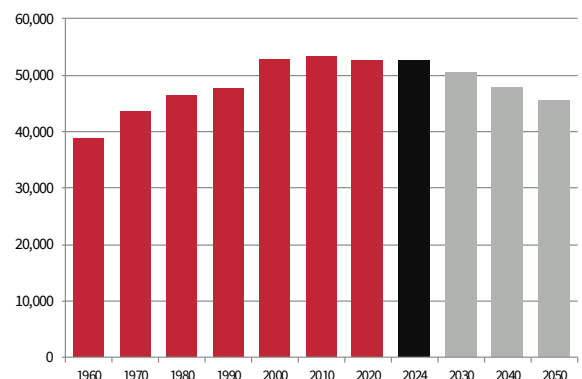
	2024	2020
Ashland city	18,770	19,227
Jackson twp UB	3,673	3,606
Montgomery twp	2,754	2,750
Loudonville village (pt.)	2,707	2,713
Sullivan twp	2,705	2,630
Orange twp	2,570	2,531
Milton twp	2,396	2,363
Vermillion twp UB	2,196	2,130
Perry twp	1,994	1,995
Green twp UB	1,875	1,834

UB: Unincorporated balance

### Total Population

#### Census

1800					
1810					
1820					
1830					
1840					
1850	23,813	1910	22,975	2020	52,447
1860	22,951	1920	24,627		
1870	21,933	1930	26,867		
1880	23,883	1940	29,785	Estimate	
1890	22,223	1950	33,040	2024	52,420
1900	21,184	1960	38,771		
		1970	43,303		
		1980	46,178		
		1990	47,507	Projection	
		2000	52,523	2030	50,152
		2010	53,139	2040	47,629
				2050	45,309



## Population by Race

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	52,296	100.0%
White	49,708	95.1%
African-American	599	1.1%
Native American	91	0.2%
Asian	309	0.6%
Pacific Islander	2	0.0%
Other	260	0.5%
Two or More Races	1,327	2.5%
Hispanic (may be of any race)	886	1.7%
<b>Total Minority</b>	<b>3,005</b>	<b>5.7%</b>

## Educational Attainment

	Number	Percent
Persons 25 years and over	35,936	100.0%
No high school diploma	3,252	9.0%
High school graduate	15,602	43.4%
Some college, no degree	6,067	16.9%
Associate degree	3,086	8.6%
Bachelor's degree	5,259	14.6%
Master's degree or higher	2,670	7.4%

## Family Type by Employment Status

	Number	Percent
Total Families	13,360	100.0%
Married couple, husband and wife in labor force	5,054	37.8%
Married couple, husband in labor force, wife not	2,706	20.3%
Married couple, wife in labor force, husband not	606	4.5%
Married couple, husband and wife not in labor force	2,324	17.4%
Male householder, in labor force	887	6.6%
Male householder, not in labor force	204	1.5%
Female householder, in labor force	1,004	7.5%
Female householder, not in labor force	575	4.3%

## Household Income

	Number	Percent
Total Households	20,654	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	860	4.2%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	1,352	6.5%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	1,829	8.9%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	1,929	9.3%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1,747	8.5%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	1,882	9.1%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	2,054	9.9%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,528	17.1%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,782	18.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	856	4.1%
\$200,000 or more	835	4.0%
<b>Median household income</b>	<b>\$64,991</b>	

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

## Population by Age

	Number	Percent
ACS Total Population	52,296	100.0%
Under 5 years	2,795	5.3%
5 to 17 years	9,014	17.2%
18 to 24 years	4,551	8.7%
25 to 44 years	11,917	22.8%
45 to 64 years	13,538	25.9%
65 years and more	10,481	20.0%
<b>Median Age</b>	<b>41.4</b>	

## Family Type by Presence of Own Children Under 18

	Number	Percent
Total Families	13,406	100.0%
Married-couple families with own children	3,547	26.5%
Male householder, no wife present, with own children	437	3.3%
Female householder, no husband present, with own children	677	5.0%
Families with no own children	8,745	65.2%

## Poverty Status of Families By Family Type by Presence Of Related Children

	Number	Percent
Total Families	13,406	100.0%
Family income above poverty level	12,396	92.5%
Family income below poverty level	1,010	7.5%
Married couple, with related children	266	2.0%
Male householder, no wife present, with related children	124	0.9%
Female householder, no husband present, with related children	340	2.5%
Families with no related children	280	2.1%

## Ratio of Income To Poverty Level

	Number	Percent
Population for whom poverty status is determined	50,716	100.0%
Below 50% of poverty level	3,393	6.7%
50% to 99% of poverty level	3,595	7.1%
100% to 124% of poverty level	2,305	4.5%
125% to 149% of poverty level	2,553	5.0%
150% to 184% of poverty level	3,695	7.3%
185% to 199% of poverty level	1,492	2.9%
200% of poverty level or more	33,683	66.4%

## Geographical Mobility

	Number	Percent
Population aged 1 year and older	51,698	100.0%
Same house as previous year	45,905	88.8%
Different house, same county	2,928	5.7%
Different county, same state	2,325	4.5%
Different state	487	0.9%
Abroad	53	0.1%

## Travel Time To Work

	Number	Percent
Workers 16 years and over	22,702	100.0%
Less than 15 minutes	8,983	39.6%
15 to 29 minutes	6,704	29.5%
30 to 44 minutes	3,597	15.8%
45 to 59 minutes	1,673	7.4%
60 minutes or more	1,745	7.7%

Mean travel time 24.2 minutes

## Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	22,517	100.0%
Occupied housing units	20,654	91.7%
Owner occupied	16,291	78.9%
Renter occupied	4,363	21.1%
Vacant housing units	1,863	8.3%

## Year Structure Built

	Number	Percent
Total housing units	22,517	100.0%
Built 2020 or later	193	0.9%
Built 2010 to 2019	731	3.2%
Built 2000 to 2009	2,735	12.1%
Built 1990 to 1999	3,131	13.9%
Built 1980 to 1989	1,362	6.0%
Built 1970 to 1979	2,786	12.4%
Built 1960 to 1969	1,985	8.8%
Built 1950 to 1959	2,896	12.9%
Built 1940 to 1949	1,055	4.7%
Built 1939 or earlier	5,643	25.1%

Median year built 1968

## Value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units	16,291	100.0%
Less than \$20,000	555	3.4%
\$20,000 to \$39,999	490	3.0%
\$40,000 to \$59,999	480	2.9%
\$60,000 to \$79,999	597	3.7%
\$80,000 to \$99,999	992	6.1%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,643	10.1%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,348	8.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,742	23.0%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	4,027	24.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,789	11.0%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	375	2.3%
\$1,000,000 or more	253	1.6%

Median value \$175,900

## House Heating Fuel

	Number	Percent
Occupied housing units	20,654	100.0%
Utility gas	10,445	50.6%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	2,598	12.6%
Electricity	4,689	22.7%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc	968	4.7%
Coal, coke or wood	1,707	8.3%
Solar energy or other fuel	218	1.1%
No fuel used	29	0.1%

Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

## Gross Rent

	Number	Percent
Specified renter-occupied housing units	4,363	100.0%
Less than \$100	8	0.2%
\$100 to \$199	9	0.2%
\$200 to \$299	135	3.1%
\$300 to \$399	77	1.8%
\$400 to \$499	262	6.0%
\$500 to \$599	303	6.9%
\$600 to \$699	482	11.0%
\$700 to \$799	476	10.9%
\$800 to \$899	574	13.2%
\$900 to \$999	422	9.7%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	976	22.4%
\$1,500 or more	256	5.9%
No cash rent	383	8.8%

Median gross rent \$841

Median gross rent as a percentage of household income 24.6

## Selected Monthly Owner Costs for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units

	Number	Percent
Specified owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage	9,316	100.0%
Less than \$400	58	0.6%
\$400 to \$599	400	4.3%
\$600 to \$799	984	10.6%
\$800 to \$999	1,794	19.3%
\$1,000 to \$1,249	1,907	20.5%
\$1,250 to \$1,499	1,572	16.9%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,474	15.8%
\$2,000 to \$2,999	909	9.8%
\$3,000 or more	218	2.3%

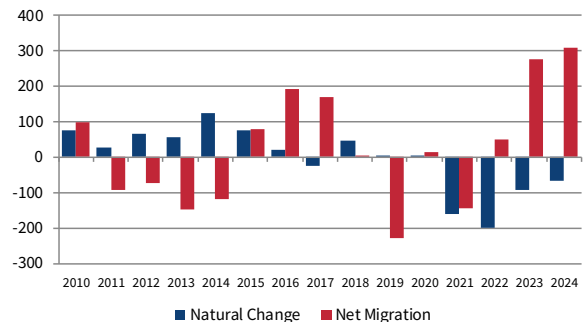
Median monthly owners cost \$1,186

Median monthly owners cost as a percentage of household income 18.3

## Vital Statistics

	Number	Rate
Births / rate per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44	594	64.8
Teen births / rate per 1,000 females 15-19	16	10.0
Deaths / rate per 100,000 population	612	1,172.6

## Components of Population Change



## Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	148,742
Number of farms	1,028
Average size (acres)	145
Total cash receipts	\$197,683,000
Per farm	\$192,299
Receipts for crops	\$76,971,000
Receipts for livestock/products	\$120,712,000

## Education

Traditional public schools buildings	16
Students	6,431
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	515.8
Expenditures per student	\$12,031
Graduation rate	96.8
Community/charter schools buildings	
Students	
Teachers (Full Time Equivalent)	
Expenditures per student	
Graduation rate	
Private schools	2
Students	204
Public universities, 4-year	0
Public universities/colleges, 2-year	0
Public learning centers, less-than 2-year	1
Private universities and colleges	1
Public libraries (Districts / Facilities)	2 / 2

## Transportation

Registered motor vehicles	71,044
Passenger cars	38,430
Noncommercial trucks	13,456
Total license revenue	\$2,280,216.36
Permissive tax revenue	\$500,062.50
Interstate highway miles	16.15
Turnpike miles	0.00
U.S. highway miles	70.46
State highway miles	171.59
County, township, and municipal road miles	818.13
Commercial airports	1

## State Parks, Forests, Nature Preserves, Scenic Waterways, And Wildlife Areas

Areas/Facilities	6
Acreage	6,722

## Finance

FDIC insured financial institutions (HQs)	0
Assets (000)	
Branch offices	14
Institutions represented	9

## Sources of Income

Total personal income	\$2,674,327,000
Net earnings	\$1,581,220,000
Personal current transfer receipts	\$682,850,000
Income maintenance benefits	\$34,767,000
Unemployment insurance compensation	\$3,377,000
Retirement and other	\$644,706,000
Dividends, interest, and rent	\$410,257,000
Dependency ratio	25.5%
(Percent of total personal income from transfer receipts)	

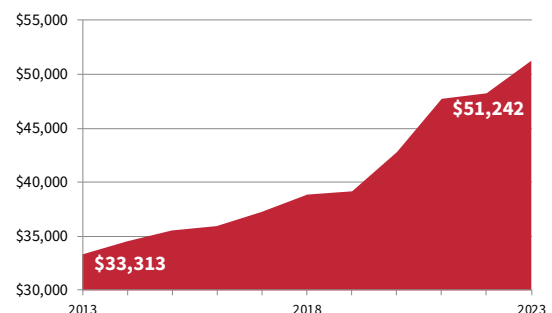
## Voting

Number of registered voters	34,756
Voted in 2024 election	27,045
Percent turnout	77.8%

## Health Care

Physicians	54
Registered hospitals	1
Number of beds	100
Licensed nursing homes	8
Number of beds	391
Licensed residential care	7
Number of beds	407
Persons with health insurance (Aged 0 to 64)	92.3%
Adults with insurance (Aged 18 to 64)	91.4%
Children with insurance (Aged Under 19)	94.5%

## Per Capita Personal Income



## Civilian Labor Force

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Civilian labor force	25,700	25,400	25,600	25,800	25,900
Employed	24,600	24,500	24,600	24,700	24,300
Unemployed	1,100	900	1,000	1,200	1,700
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.5	3.8	4.5	6.4

## Establishments, Employment, and Wages by Sector: 2024

Industrial Sector	Number of Establishments	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage
Private Sector	1,137	16,498	\$796,127,669	\$928
Goods-Producing	219	4,354	\$264,862,502	\$1,170
Natural Resources and Mining	19	250	\$10,211,393	\$786
Construction	105	827	\$61,275,526	\$1,425
Manufacturing	95	3,277	\$193,375,583	\$1,135
Service-Providing	918	12,144	\$531,265,167	\$841
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	283	3,571	\$154,672,521	\$833
Information	20	171	\$17,518,741	\$1,967
Financial Services	93	403	\$23,820,660	\$1,136
Professional and Business Services	177	2,135	\$123,910,174	\$1,116
Education and Health Services	130	3,490	\$157,962,856	\$871
Leisure and Hospitality	107	1,817	\$37,340,856	\$395
Other Services	109	558	\$16,039,359	\$553
Federal Government		99	\$7,043,919	\$1,363
State Government		265	\$23,097,282	\$1,679
Local Government		2,040	\$97,696,433	\$921

Private Sector total includes Unclassified establishments not shown.

## Change Since 2017

Private Sector	7.2%	-2.3%	23.0%	25.9%
Goods-Producing	4.8%	-10.8%	11.1%	24.6%
Natural Resources and Mining	-13.6%	10.6%	58.1%	43.2%
Construction	8.2%	4.7%	35.8%	29.8%
Manufacturing	5.6%	-15.2%	3.6%	22.0%
Service-Producing	7.7%	1.1%	29.9%	28.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	3.7%	7.5%	33.5%	24.1%
Information	25.0%	-0.6%	51.9%	52.6%
Financial Services	1.1%	1.3%	46.8%	44.9%
Professional and Business Services	30.1%	11.3%	45.0%	30.4%
Education and Health Services	1.6%	-9.8%	12.9%	25.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	0.9%	2.1%	37.2%	34.4%
Other Services	7.9%	2.4%	26.5%	23.7%
Federal Government		-5.7%	25.5%	32.2%
State Government		4.7%	32.5%	26.5%
Local Government		-0.6%	15.4%	16.1%

## Residential Construction

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total units	57	43	90	61	60
Total valuation (000)	\$14,900	\$9,947	\$22,387	\$11,176	\$11,214
Total single-unit bldgs	57	41	86	61	60
Average cost per unit	\$261,398	\$235,290	\$253,005	\$183,210	\$186,908
Total multi-unit bldg units	0	2	4	0	0
Average cost per unit		\$150,000	\$157,199		

## Major & Notable Employers

American Augers	Mfg
Ashland City Schools	Govt
Ashland University	Serv
Brethren Care Village	Serv
Campbell Soup Company	Mfg
Charles River Laboratories Ashland	R&D
Hedstrom Plastics	Mfg
Liquibox	Mfg
Packaging Corp. of America	Mfg
Pentair Pump Group Inc	Mfg
Samaritan Regional Health System	Serv
Step2 Co	Mfg